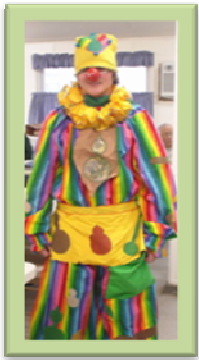


## Fall Festival Photos



Have you started your “Show Stoppers” for the 2009 State Show? If not, you should get busy. We talked to a lot of people new to gourdng at the Fall Festival who were very interested in competing at South Bend this year!

### ***Gourd Happenings In Our Gourdeous World***

**January 10—13, 2009** 2nd Gourds in Paradise Festival - Kailua-Kona, HI. Full information on website: [www.hawaiigourdsociety.com](http://www.hawaiigourdsociety.com)

**January 24, 2009** 6th Annual Gardening Show, Porter County Expo Center, 215 E. Division Road—Valparaiso, Indiana 46383  
Full information on website [www.pcgarden.info](http://www.pcgarden.info)

**February 6-8, 2009** **Wuertz Farm's 6th Annual Gourd Festival** in Casa Grande AZ.. Features over 100 Gourd Artists and Vendors, Reserved Classes, AzGS Judged Show, Sailing Regourda, Mini Gourdster Races, Gourd Games, Flash Gourdon, Non-Stop Live Musical Entertainment, Great Food & Thousands of Dried Gourds for Sale!

**February 20-22, 2009** **Marion County Gourd Artist Show**, The Market of Marion, Belleview, FL. Classes, vendors, judging. For information [www.themarketofmarion.com](http://www.themarketofmarion.com) (click on events and then Marion County Gourd show.)

**February 21, 2009** IGS Seed Packaging Day Thorntown Public Library, Thorntown, Indiana, from 9:00 AM until finished. A Board Meeting will immediately follow. [An IGS Event]

**Feb 27-Mar1, 2009** Florida Gourd Society 11th annual **Florida Gourd Show** in Palatka Florida

**March 27, 28, & 29, 2009** **IGS State Gourd Show**  
St. Joseph County Fairgrounds, 5117 S. Ironwood Rd,  
South Bend, IN 46614 [Map](#)  
Admission: \$6 (this is a change from last year) for entire weekend, open to public  
Large gourd competition, Vendors, IGS Gourd store, Gourd Seeds Demonstrations, kids booth, Auction Saturday and Sunday  
For additional info: Renee Meyers, 574-229-0895 or e-mail: [showchair@indianagourdsociety.org](mailto:showchair@indianagourdsociety.org)  
[An IGS Sponsored Event]

**April 19, 2009** 3rd annual Gourd Educational Day in Laurens, SC at Ghost Creek Gourd Farm. We will have classes, work stations, and a raffle. (9 am to 5 pm) For more information: [SCGourdSociety.com](http://SCGourdSociety.com)

**May 9, 2009** **Mississippi Farms Gourd Festival** Saturday 9am - 5pm classes will be offered. Adkins Farms, Booneville, MS 38829, [www.adkinsfarms.com](http://www.adkinsfarms.com)

**May 16, 2009** The Spring/Festival Membership Meeting LaPorte County Fairgrounds, LaPorte, IN. Sid Meyers, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President is the chairperson of this event.

**Nov 7, 2009** **IGS Fall Festival** Saturday 9:00AM to 3:00PM, Lafayette, Tippecanoe County Fairgrounds.